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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, FBIS

THROUGH : Chief, Operations Group

FROM : Chief, Austria Bureau

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I. GENERAL

U.S. Ambassador Henry Grunwald visited the Bureau 17 May. Accompanied by Counselor for Administrative Affairs Harold Vickers and Mr Viktor Kohl of the Political Section, the Ambassador spent over an hour touring the facility and chatting with Bureau personnel. Coincidentally, as the Ambassador was visiting the Editorial Room, a London TASS item was received reporting negative comments by Soviet spokesman Genadiy Gerasimov on Austrian efforts to join the EEC. The Ambassador's office called subsequent to his departure and asked that a copy of the item be readied for pickup by the DCM's driver so that the Ambassador could show it to Austrian Foreign Ministry officials with whom he was dining that evening.

The Bureau was advised that formal Embassy approval for the addition of one staff and three non-staff positions had been forwarded to the Department of State 10 May. The staff position will be filled by an editor to arrive in early July. A Czech/Slovak and two German monitor candidates have been selected to fill the non-staff slots.

The Bureau received congratulations from FBIS Director Bob Manners during the month on being awarded a Meritorious Unit Citation. The citation was received for the Bureau's "pioneering efforts in the FBIS bureau modernization program and for increasing production during a period of continual technological change." The actual citation will be formally presented to the Bureau staff when it is received from Headquarters.

The dollar held mostly firm at about 11.80 Austrian schillings during the month.

## II. OPERATIONS

### A. Monitorial/Editorial

1. The MSZMP conference held in Budapest 20-22 May, at which extensive personnel changes in the party were decided, and the LCY conference in Belgrade 29-31 May combined to make the month a busy one for the bureau. For the MSZMP conference, AU's Hungarian section, in addition to coping with a heavy processing load from the press, temporarily assumed coverage of Moscow in Hungarian from London Bureau and recorded Budapest TV reportage on the conference. The videorecordings were subsequently sent to LD by courier for onward relay to Washington via Internet.

2. The Bureau's efforts in connection with the LCY conference were highlighted by coverage of lengthy live relays from the opening and closing sessions. Several speeches were processed, including the keynote and concluding remarks by LCY Central Committee Presidium President Bosko Kronic.

3. On the 30th, AU assumed responsibility for providing videorecordings from selected FRG TV programs for the "Cities" project. Former Chief Monitor [ ] who has access to FRG TV at his home through Vienna's cable TV system, is on contract to provide this service. Preparations to assume coverage of FRG media covered by Cologne Unit [ ] were largely completed by month's end. The initial coverage package had been finalized and approved by Headquarters, most equipment except for computer terminals and phone patches for the "Cities" contractor, had arrived and been installed. The first of two additional German monitors was due to EOD on 6 June, the day coverage is to begin. STAT

4. As part of the Bureau's seemingly endless effort to recruit monitorial staff, Deputy Chief [ ] visited London Bureau from 18 to 22 May to interview applicants for Czech/Slovak, Russian and Polish monitorial positions. One Czech, two Russians, and a Pole were selected and are being placed into pre-employment processing with the assistance of London Bureau Admin Staff. In addition, recruitment was begun locally and through London in search of a Hungarian monitor to replace the Hungarian monitor trainee who will depart in early August. STAT

### B. Communications

1. Between 25 and 28 May, AU experienced serious difficulties in receiving traffic from London Bureau. The problem was eventually traced to faulty equipment in Croughton that caused a

break in the communications link. AU's circuit to LD is now being altrouted through a switch in the States until the necessary repairs and upgrades can be accomplished. During the outage period, LD commo operators efficiently and patiently relayed their traffic to us via the VCVC.

2. The Bureau began using the new message format on Monday, 2 May, after belatedly receiving the materials from Headquarters the preceeding Thursday.

#### C. Lateral Services

1. On 10 May, a request was received from the U.S. Embassy in Prague for any available videorecordings from Prague Television of joint USSR-CSSR military exercises conducted in northwest Bohemia on 22-28 March, as well as for recordings of any TV coverage of CSSR military exercises to be held 6-10 June in southwest Bohemia. The first request was relayed to MOD for action; the second will be acted on directly by the Bureau, with responsive videorecordings being sent directly to the embassy.

2. On 25 May a CSCE representative requested a Russian language version of Soviet leader Gorbachev's 7 May speech to the media, which had been filed by London Bureau. A copy of the speech was made from the 11 May issue of PRAVDA and delivered to the representative.

#### D. Technical

1. The Bureau had the opportunity to test the HP Ruggedwriter printer for one week during the month. Although there was not time for in-depth testing, the general reaction of users was not unfavorable. The printer was considered easy to use, but noisier and slower than the laser printers now in use.

2. A temporary 35 ft whip antenna was installed in the Bureau back yard in an effort to improve reception from West German and Italian radio sources. Initial cruising efforts indicate little or no improvement over existing antennas.

3. The following equipment was received during the month: four Sharp VCN70 video recorders (\$750 each); two Sharp 14S11 A1 video monitors (\$325 each); one Selec Tone alarm system (\$2.235).

## III. ADMINISTRATION

A. Personnel

1. Czech/Slovak monitor [ ] executed a new Travel Agreement with effective date of 26 June 1990. STAT

2. Polish monitor [ ] received a PSI to FBN-09/05 effective 8 May. STAT

B. Building and Grounds

1. The second 220vac circuit breaker box was installed and wired during the month.

2. Simplex locks were installed on the office doors of the Bureau Chief and Deputy Chief in response to a recommendation of last year's security survey.

3. Additional shelving was installed in the Czech, Romanian and Hungarian sections and in the vault area.

## IV. VISITS

A. The Bureau received the following visitors during the month:

Tel Aviv Bureau Staff Engineer [ ] 30 April to 5 May for orientation prior to PCS in August; Production Group (UD) officer [ ] 11-14 May for orientation; Ambassador Henry Grunwald, Counselor for Administrative Affairs Harold Vickers and Mr Viktor Kohl 17 May for familiarization; Mr Andrew Taussig, head of the Central European Service at BBC Bush House, 20 May for familiarization; Regional Security Officer Tim Fountain and ARSO Bill Root 25 May for familiarization. STAT

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Chief, Austrian Bureau

cc: Chief, FBIS London Bureau

## Attachments:

Production Report

Staff Personnel Report

Non-Staff Personnel Report

## Austrian Bureau Production Report for May 1988

## I. TOTALS FROM ALL SOURCES:

TOTAL PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH:	787,760
TOTAL NON-PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH:	35,460
TOTAL NUMBER OF PUBLISHABLE ITEMS FILED DURING MONTH:	1,484

	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
II. INPUT OF REGULAR COVERAGE:	12,300	15,865	325.99
(minutes or issues per mon)	min.	min.	issues

## ALBANIA

Tirana Domestic Service in Albanian	6,160		
Tirana ATA in English		5,170	
Tirana BASHKIMI in Albanian			1,910
Tirana DRITA in Albanian			1,210
Tirana PUNA in Albanian			0
Tirana RRUGA E PARTISE in Albanian			1,930
Tirana ZERI I POPULLIT in Albanian			1,730
Tirana ZERI I RINISE in Albanian			0

## AUSTRIA

Vienna Domestic Service in German	3,210		
Vienna Television Service in German	310		
Vienna ORF TELETEXT in German	290		
Vienna NEUE AZ in German			450
Vienna DIE PRESSE in German			7,510
Vienna KURIER in German			1,250
Vienna NEUE KRONEN ZEITUNG in German			260
Vienna PROFIL in German			6,550
Vienna VOLKSSTIMME in German			860
Vienna WIENER ZEITUNG in German			7,130

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	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
<b>BULGARIA</b>			
Sofia Domestic Service in Bulgarian	10,870		
Sofia BTA in English		22,300	
Sofia ANTENI in Bulgarian			0
Sofia LITERATUREN FRONT in Bulgarian			440
Sofia NARODNA ARMIYA in Bulgarian			17,810
Sofia NARODNA MLADEZH in Bulgarian			0
Sofia NOVO VREME in Bulgarian			0
Sofia OTECHESTVEN FRONT in Bulgarian			5,370
Sofia POGLED in Bulgarian			3,170
Sofia RABOTNICHESKO DELO in Bulgarian			36,900
Sofia STURSHEL in Bulgarian			0
Sofia TRUD in Bulgarian			2,240
Sofia VECHERNI NOVOSTI in Bulgarian			380
Sofia ZEMEDEL'SKO ZNAME in Bulgarian			0
<b>CHINA</b>			
Beijing International Service in Albanian	0		
Beijing International Service in Serbo-Croatian	230		
<b>CZECHOSLOVAKIA</b>			
Prague Television Service in Czech	340		
Prague Television Service in Slovak	0		
Bratislava PRAVDA in Slovak			11,950
Bratislava ROLNICKÉ NOVINY in Slovak			790
Bratislava SMENA in Slovak			220
Bratislava VECERNÍK in Slovak			120

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	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
Prague LIDOVA DEMOKRACIE in Czech			270
Prague MLADA FRONTA in Czech			2,740
Prague NOVA MYSL in Czech			0
Prague PRACE in Czech			180
Prague RUDE PRAVO in Czech			93,480
Prague TRIBUNA in Czech			310
Prague VECERNI PRAHA in Czech			190
Prague ZEMEDELSKE NOVINY in Czech			2,020
FRANCE			
Paris AFP in English		40,320	
Paris ZNAKI CZASU in Polish			0
GDR			
East Berlin BERLINER ZEITUNG in German			360
East Berlin DER MORGEN in German			950
East Berlin EINHEIT in German			1,140
East Berlin HORIZONT in German			1,530
East Berlin NATIONAL ZEITUNG in German			740
East Berlin NEUE ZEIT in German			0
East Berlin NEUES DEUTSCHLAND in German			60,010
East Berlin NEUER WEG in German			0
HUNGARY			
Budapest Television Service in Hungarian	140		
Budapest KULPOLITIKA in Hungarian			0
Budapest MAGYAR HIRLAP in Hungarian			31,060
Budapest MAGYAR NEMZET in Hungarian			5,660



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	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
Budapest MAGYARORSZAG in Hungarian			1,840
Budapest NEPSZABADSAG in Hungarian			32,660
Budapest NEPSZAVA in Hungarian			3,500
Budapest PARTELET in Hungarian			0
Budapest TARSADALMI SZEMLE in Hungarian			0
ITALY			
Rome ANSA in English		5,220	
POLAND			
Krakow TYGODNIK POWSZECHNY in Polish			0
Warsaw KULTURA in Polish			0
Warsaw NOWE DROGI in Polish			0
Warsaw POLITYKA in Polish			1,600
Warsaw PRZEGLAD KATOLICKI in Polish			1,450
Warsaw RZECZPOSPOLITA in Polish			29,920
Warsaw RZECZYWISTOSC in Polish			0
Warsaw SLOWO POWSZECHNE in Polish			940
Warsaw SZTANDAR MLODYCH in Polish			2,610
Warsaw TRYBUNA LUDU in Polish			59,170
Warsaw ZOLNIERZ WOLNOSCI in Polish			3,260
Warsaw ZYCIE PARTII in Polish			2,570
Warsaw ZYCIE WARSZAWY in Polish			4,880
ROMANIA			
Bucharest Domestic Service in Romanian	11,500		
Bucharest AGERPRES in English		42,500	

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	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
Bucharest AGERPRES in French		0	
Bucharest ERA SOCIALISTA in Romanian			1,050
Bucharest LUMEA in Romanian			1,560
Bucharest ROMANIA LIBERA in Romanian			0
Bucharest SCINTEIA in Romanian			26,540
USSR			
Moscow in Albanian to Albania	0		
Moscow in Bulgarian to Bulgaria	0		
Moscow in Macedonian to Yugoslavia	0		
Moscow in Romanian to Romania	0		
Moscow in Slovene to Yugoslavia	0		
Moscow International Service in Czech and Slovak	0		
Kiev PRAVDA UKRAINY in Russian			23,130
Kiev RADYANSKA UKRAINA in Ukrainian			760
Moscow ISTORIYA SSSR in Russian			0
Moscow KOMMUNIST VOORUZHENNYKH SIL in Russian			0
Moscow KOMMUNIST in Russian			13,150
Moscow MEZHDUNARODNAYA ZHIZN in Russian			3,640
Moscow MIROVAYA EKONOMIKA I MEZHDUNARODNYYE OTNOSHENIYA in Russian			0
Moscow OBSHCHESTVENNYYE NAUKI in Russian			0
Moscow PARTIYNAYA ZHIZN in Russian			0
Moscow PLANOVOYE KHOZYAYSTVO in Russian			0
Moscow POLITICHESKOYE SAMOOBRAZOVANIYE in Russian			0
Moscow PROBLEMY DALNEGO VOSTOKA in Russian			0
Moscow PROBLEMY MIRA I SOTSIALIZMA in Russian			0

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	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
Moscow RABOCHIY KLAS I SOVREMENNY			
MIR in			
Russian			0
Moscow SOTSIOLOGICHESKIYE			
ISSLEDOVANIYA in			
Russian			0
Moscow SSHA: EKONOMIKA, POLITIKA,			
IDEOLOGIYA in			
Russian			4,800
Moscow VOPROSY EKONOMIKI in			
Russian			0
Moscow VOPROSY FILOSOFII in			
Russian			0
Moscow VOPROSY ISTORII KPSS in			
Russian			9,480
Moscow VOPROSY ISTORII in			
Russian			0
Moscow VOYENNO-ISTORICHESKIY			
ZHURNAL in			
Russian			0
YUGOSLAVIA			
Belgrade Domestic Service in			
Serbo-Croatian	25,050		
Pristina Domestic Service in			
Albanian		0	
Pristina Domestic Service in			
Serbo-Croatian		0	
Belgrade Television Service in			
Serbo-Croatian		0	
Belgrade TANJUG DOMESTIC SERVICE in			
Serbo-Croatian		710	
Belgrade TANJUG in			
English		0	
Belgrade BORBA in			
Serbo-Croatian			38,780
Belgrade KOMUNIST in			
Serbo-Croatian			0
Belgrade NARODNA ARMIJA in			
Serbo-Croatian			3,300
Belgrade NIN in			
Serbo-Croatian			0
Belgrade POLITIKA in			
Serbo-Croatian			4,640
Belgrade SOCIALIZAM in			
Serbo-Croatian			0
Ljubljana DELO in			
Slovene			7,610
Ljubljana MLADINA in			
Slovene			4,230
Novi Sad DNEVNIK in			
Serbo-Croatian			0
Pristina RILINDJA in			
Albanian			11,820

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	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
Sarajevo OSLOBODJENJE in Serbo-Croatian			0
Skopje NOVA MAKEDONIJA in Macedonian			0
Titograd POBJEDA in Serbo-Croatian			0
Zagreb DANAS in Serbo-Croatian			0
Zagreb VJESNIK in Serbo-Croatian			3,730